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TO: David Stark & Eileen Fuchs, Priority Projects, NCDOT
FROM: Kate Husband, Historic Architecture Team, NCDOT
SUBJECT: M-0360, US 74 Broadband from Wilmington to Asheville
DATE: November 6, 2020

I have reviewed the proposed project area for the installation of broadband fiber within existing NCDOT Right-of-Way along US 74 (and sections of I-85 and I-26). It is my understanding that this project has federal funding and may require a Department of Army permit. I was asked to provide areas of concern for historic architectural resources along the route so that the Design Build contractor can avoid impacts to these sites.

The proposed project travels through the following counties listed below. Countywide surveys have been completed in most of the counties, however many of the surveys are out of date or are not comprehensive, therefore I reviewed the entire length of the project through HPOweb, Google mapping and Streetview, and tax parcel data. My findings on areas of concern for historic architectural resources are noted. Environmental review of past NCDOT projects have contributed to the identification of historic resources along the corridor. I identified sites that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), North Carolina Study Listed, determined eligible for the NRHP, and un-identified sites of concern. Construction activities and staging areas should not extend into the boundaries of the properties noted in this memorandum without consultation with the North Carolina Historic Preservation Office (NC HPO) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Brunswick County

After reviewing the US 74 corridor within Brunswick County, it appears there are no areas of concern for historic architectural resources. The county was comprehensively surveyed in 2010, and a variety of NCDOT projects have identified and evaluated sites along the corridor. A screening of these identified sites determined that there are no determined eligible properties.

Columbus County

Columbus County was surveyed in 1998. While it was a reconnaissance survey of unincorporated areas only, it is considered thorough. Several NCDOT project environmental reviews have identified and evaluated sites along the US 74 corridor which allowed me to identify one property of concern.

Acme-Delco School (CB0006)

The Acme-Delco School is a 1926 Colonial Revival school complex that was placed on the NC Study list in 1999. It has not been evaluated for the NRHP. The property is in the vicinity of the town of Delco.



Robeson County

Robeson County has not been comprehensively surveyed. After a review of the county there is one NRHP-eligible property that is an area of concern for this project.

Evander Pittman House (RB0482)

The Evander Pittman House is a c. 1850 Italianate/Greek Revival House that was determined eligible for the NRHP in 1995. The resource is located on Sanchez Drive, which borders the K B Road intersection with US 74 near Lumberton.



Scotland County

Scotland County was comprehensively surveyed in 1980, but the lack of identified sites and age of the survey makes identifying resources of concern problematic. Through screening the project corridor in this county, I have concluded that there are three resources of concern along US 74.

Zebulon V. Wright House (SC0277)

The Zebulon V. Wright House is a c. 1870 Victorian cottage that was determined eligible for the NRHP in 2001. The house fronts Gibson Road, and borders US 74 near Laurinburg.



Pate's Village Food (previously unidentified)

Within the town of Laurel Hill sits Pate's Village Food, an early 20th century two-story commercial brick commercial building on the corner of Malloy Avenue and Morgan Street. The resource has not been previously surveyed, and no evaluation of NRHP eligibility has been made, however it is potentially eligible.



Ed Morgan Mill Village (SC0231)

The Ed Morgan Mill Village was identified as a survey site during the 1980 countywide survey. It has not been formally evaluated and is potentially eligible for the NRHP. The resource borders the existing US 74 right of way near Laurel Hill.

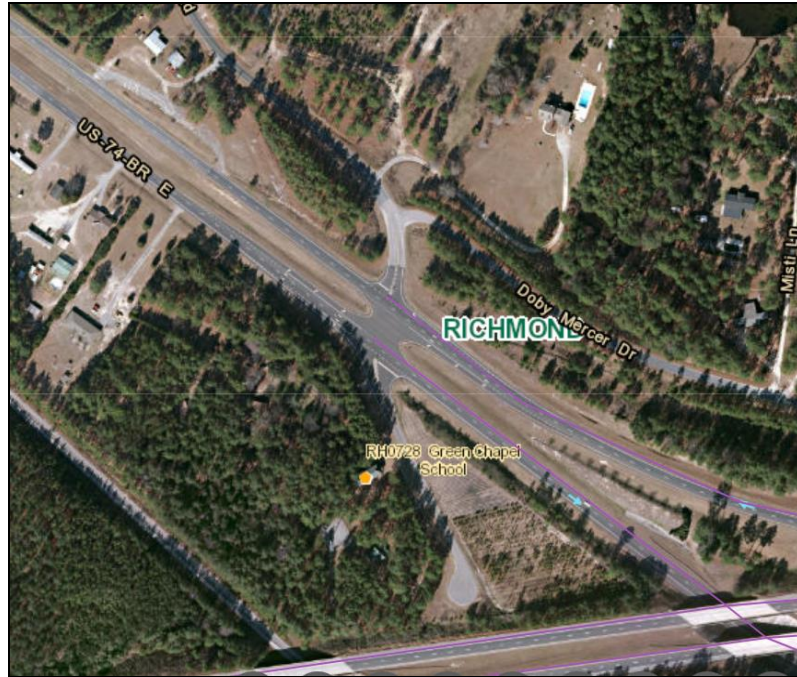


Richmond County

Richmond County was comprehensively surveyed in 2001. Several NCDOT project environmental reviews have identified and evaluated sites along the corridor, and many were determined not eligible for the NRHP. One resource is an area of concern after a review of the corridor within the county.

Green Chapel School (RH0278)

The Green Chapel School is a 1923 Rosenwald School near Hamlet that is now used as a church. The survey site has not been formally evaluated and is potentially eligible for the NRHP.



Anson County

There is no comprehensive architectural survey of Anson County. A survey was started in 1981 but was not completed, so the information is out of date and incomplete for the county. However there have been several NCDOT projects along US 74 which have identified historic properties. There are seven areas of concern for this project, listed below.

Anson Bridge Number 78 (AN0553)

Bridge Number 78 is a concrete arch bridge over the Great Pee Dee River that is potentially eligible for the NRHP. Its partner Bridge (AN0512) has been replaced.



J. T. Little House (AN0032)

The J. T. Little House is a survey site that has not been formally evaluated for the NRHP and is potentially eligible for the NRHP.



Wade Manufacturing Company and Mill Village Historic District (AN0601)

The Wade Manufacturing Company and Mill Village Historic District is a mid-20th century mill and mill village that was determined eligible for the NRHP in 2018. It is located within Wadesboro. The boundary of the property follows US 74 right of way.



Valley Motor Court (AN0600)

The Valley Motor Court is a 1956 rustic revival motel complex in Wadesboro that was determined eligible for the NRHP in 2018. The historic boundary extends to the existing pavement of US 74.

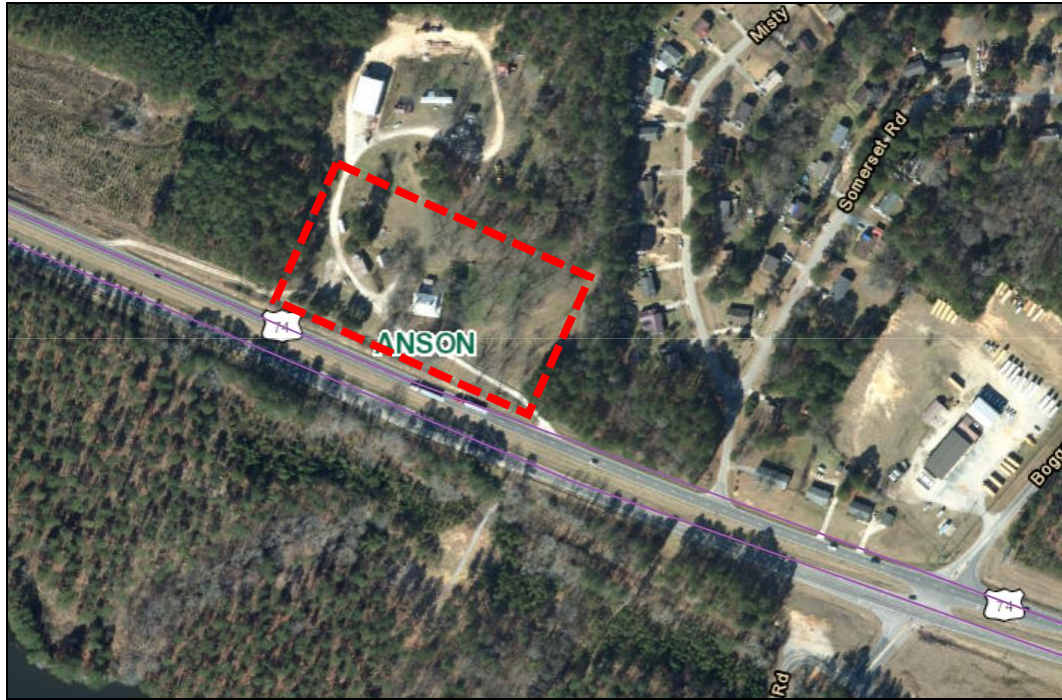
Caudle Family House (AN0239)

The Caudle Family House is a c. 1922 Renaissance Revival House in Wadesboro that was determined eligible for the NRHP in 2018. The historic boundary extends to the existing pavement of US 74.



4136 US 74, Wadesboro (previously unidentified)

Just west of downtown Wadesboro is a two-story frame early 20th century house that borders existing US 74. The resource has not been previously surveyed, and no evaluation of NRHP eligibility has been made, however it is potentially eligible.



Town of Peachland

The Town of Peachland contains a large variety of survey sites that suggest a potential historic district.



Union County

Union County was comprehensively surveyed in 1978. While this survey is out of date, there have been several NCDOT projects along US 74 which have identified historic properties. There are two areas of concern.

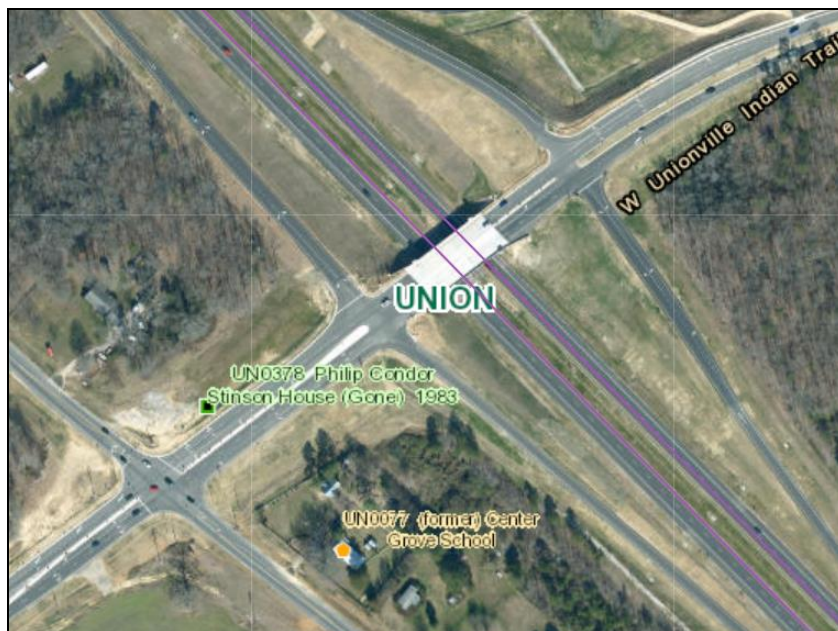
South Marshville Historic District (UN0480)

The South Marshville Historic District was placed on the NC Study list in 1983 but has not been evaluated for the NRHP.



(Former) Center Grove School (UN077)

The resource is a survey site near Indian Trail. It has not been formally evaluated and is potentially eligible for the NRHP.

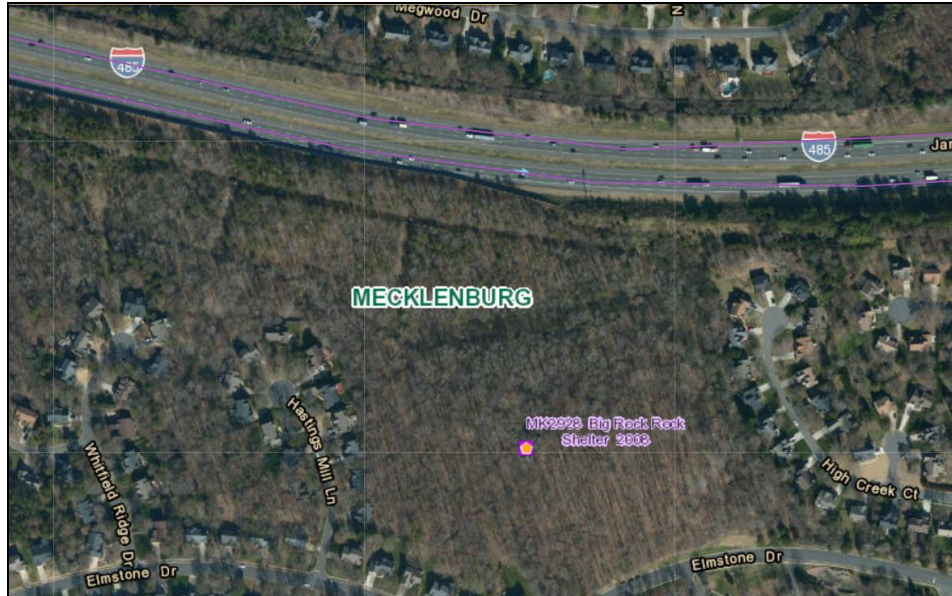


Mecklenburg County

Mecklenburg County was surveyed in 1988, however the area has been extensively covered by environmental review evaluations due to development and transportation improvements. There are two areas of concern, that are also local landmarks identified adjacent to the US 74 corridor.

Big Rock Shelter (MK2928)

Big Rock Shelter is both a survey site and a locally listed landmark between Pineville and Weddington. Construction activities and staging areas should not extend into the property without consultation with the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission in addition to the NC HPO and FHWA.



Dinkins Property Cemetery (MK2491)

Dinkins Property Cemetery is both a survey site and a locally listed landmark near Charlotte. Construction activities and staging areas should not extend into the property without consultation with the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission in addition to the NC HPO and FHWA.



Gaston County

Gaston County was comprehensively surveyed in 1981. While the survey is out of date, the area has been extensively covered by environmental review evaluations due to development and transportation improvements.

Piedmont and Northern Railway Linear Historic District (GS1625)

The linear historic district was determined eligible for the NRHP in 2010 and extends above the I-85 corridor. The boundary of the resource includes Bridge No. 350150.



McAdenville Historic District (GS0427)

The McAdenville Historic District is a mill and mill village from the late 19th and early 20th century. The district was determined eligible for the NRHP in 1999 and placed on the NRHP in 2009. The determined eligible boundary follows existing right of way along I-85. The National Register boundary follows the off ramp of I-85 at Main Street.



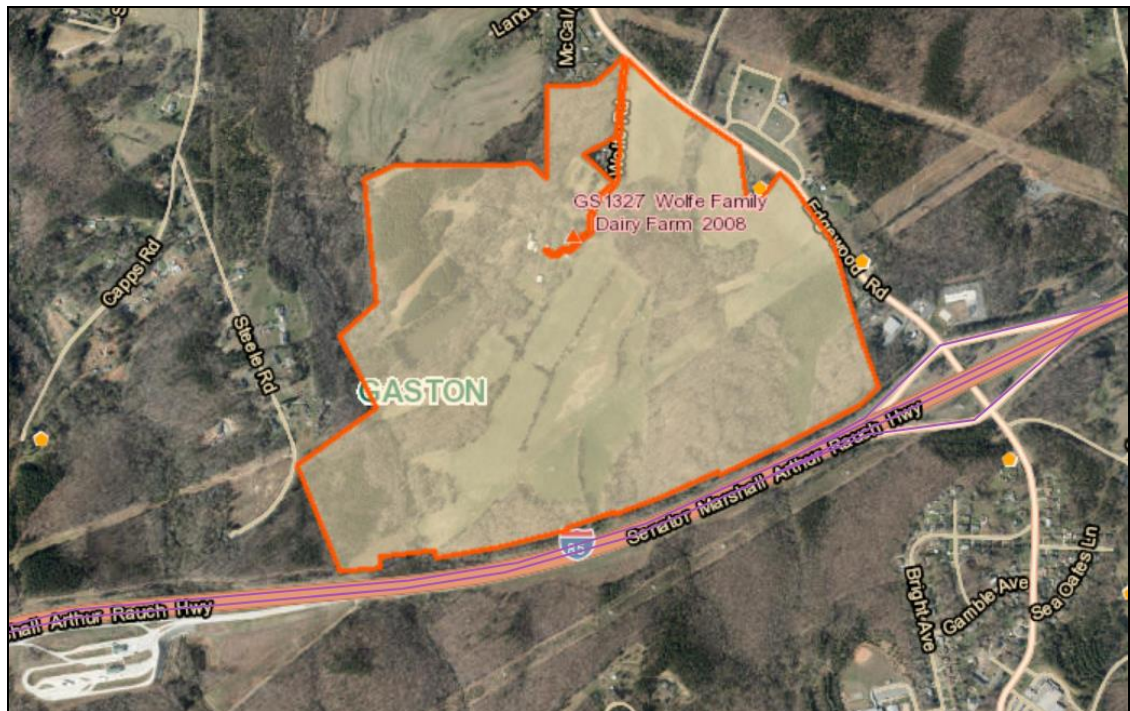
Faith United Methodist Church (GS0490) and Piedmont and Northern Railway Linear Historic District (GS1625)

Faith United Methodist Church, a 1950 Gothic Revival Church determined eligible for the NRHP in 2017, borders the I-85 Right of Way in Gastonia. The Piedmont and Northern Railway Historic District, a rail corridor determined eligible for the NRHP in 2010, crosses over I-85 at this location as well.



Wolfe Dairy Farm (GS1327)

The Wolfe Dairy Farm is a farm complex determined eligible for the NRHP in 2008. Its historic boundary follows the right of way of I-85 near Bessemer City.



Cleveland County was comprehensively surveyed in 1998, and that survey was recently updated in 2019. Seven areas of concern were identified.

(Former) Dilling Mill (CL1432) and Dilling Mill Housing (multiple site numbers)

The (Former) Dilling Mill and Mill Housing sit south of the US 74 corridor in Kings Mountain. These properties have been identified but not formally evaluated and are potentially eligible for the NRHP as a historic district.



(Former) Cora Cotton III & Lula Mill (CL1395), Cora Cotton Mill Housing (Multiple Site Numbers), and Phenix Mill Housing (Multiple Site Numbers)

To the north of the US 74 corridor, above the Dilling Mill Complex, is another mill and mill village. These properties have been identified but not formally evaluated and are potentially eligible for the NRHP as a historic district.



Spectrum Mills (Spectrum Dyed Yarn) (unidentified)

Spectrum Mills is a 1965-1971 textile manufacturing plant west of Kings Mountain. It has not been evaluated for NRHP eligibility.



Newton Allen Farm (CL0306)

The Newton Allen Farm is an identified survey site outside of Kings Mountain. The property has not been formally evaluated and is potentially eligible for the NRHP.



Howard Herndon Farm (CL0341)

The Howard Herndon Farm is an identified survey site near Kings Mountain that borders US 74. The property has not been formally evaluated and is potentially eligible for the NRHP.



Buffalo Fish Camp (CL1636)

The Buffalo Fish Camp was constructed c. 1949 and borders US 74. The property has not been formally evaluated and is potentially eligible for the NRHP.



Will McBrayer Farm (CL0122)

The Will McBrayer Farm is a late Victorian Farm Complex that was Study Listed in 1998 and determined eligible for the NRHP in 2002. The historic boundary crosses through Ellenboro Road near the intersection with US 74.



Rutherford County

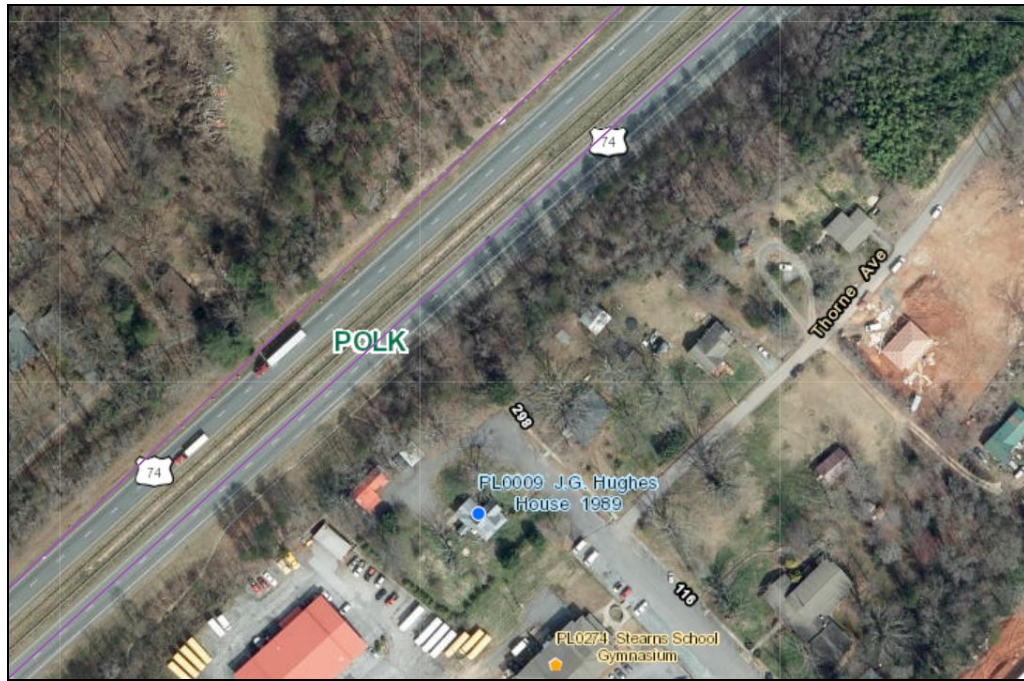
Rutherford County underwent a countywide survey in 1979. The survey is out of date, however a review of identified sites, GIS data, and Google mapping and Streetview of the US 74 corridor in the county indicates that there are no areas of concern for historic architectural resources.

Polk County

Only the town of Tryon was surveyed in 2008. A reconnaissance survey of the western region of the county was completed 1985. There is one area of concern within the county.

J. G. Hughes House (PL0009)

The J. G. Hughes House is an 1896 Queen Anne House that was NRHP listed 1989. The historic boundary follows the parcel boundary and borders US 74 Right of Way within the town of Columbus.



Henderson County

Henderson county was comprehensively surveyed in 1980, and a reconnaissance survey of the far west region was completed in 1978. Both are out of date. Many survey sites along US 74 have been determined not eligible for the NRHP through environmental review for NCDOT projects. The following are areas of concern within the county from a review of the corridor in the county.

McMurray House (Windy Hill) (HN1904)

McMurray House is a c. 1890 Queen Anne House and Outbuildings near Hendersonville that was determined eligible for the NRHP in 2014. The historic boundary follows the parcel boundary and borders the highway Right of Way.



Camp Orr (Camp Pinewood) (HN1905)

Camp Orr is a summer camp near Hendersonville built 1929 and determined eligible for the NRHP in 2014. The 49-acre property's historic boundary crosses over the highway Right of Way.



Sholtz-Cantrell Estate (HN0059)

The Sholtz-Cantrell Estate is a 1920s Colonial Revival House and outbuildings that was determined eligible for the NRHP 1995. It is located north of Hendersonville. The historic boundary follows the parcel boundary and borders the highway Right of Way.

**Hyder Dairy Farm (HN1906)**

The Hyder Dairy Farm is a c. 1890 through the mid-20th century log house and farm complex north of Hendersonville. The property was determined eligible in 2014. The property's historic boundary crosses the highway Right of Way.



Rugby Grange (HN0042)

The Ruby Grange is a late 19th century Italianate house and grounds near Fletcher that was listed on the NRHP in 1987. The historic boundary follows the highway Right of Way.



Buncombe County

Buncombe County was surveyed 1980 and includes the municipality of Asheville. Although the survey is dated, transportation environmental reviews have covered the corridor. A review of the county determined that there is one National Register listed and one determined eligible property that are areas of concern.

Blue Ridge Parkway- Highlands District (NC0001)

The Blue Ridge Parkway was determined eligible 1990. The property's historic boundary crosses over I-26 and construction activities and staging areas will require coordination with the National Park Service as well as the NC HPO and FHWA.



Biltmore Estate (BN0214, BN1835)

The Biltmore Estate was listed on the NRHP determined a National Historic Landmark in 1966. The historic boundary follows the existing highway Right of Way and construction activities and staging areas should not extend into the property without consultation with the National Park Service, as well as the NC HPO and FHWA.

